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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316) Grant Recipient: Gulkana Village Council

Project Title: Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition

Gulkana Village Council - Biomass Pellet Plant

State Funding Requested: \$1,000,000 House District: 39 / T

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Acquire electrical service, install the internal wiring and insulation for construction of a biomass pellet plant to process beetle killed spruce and other forest product for fuel.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost: \$1,500,000 Funding Already Secured: (\$500,000) FY2014 State Funding Request: (\$1,000,000) **Project Deficit:**

Funding Details:

Fuel break and research Garn boilers 500,000

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Gulkana Village Council will develop a biomass pellet mill that will use beetle killed trees and other forest products and waste and make biomass fuels. The forestry plan will be to harvest beetle killed trees for use as a renewable fuel feed-stock and increase our subsistence food supply of moose. plant will produce 3,500 tons of renewable biomass pellets per year which will displace 420,000 gallons of fuel oil worth \$1.7M annually. The plant is estimated to provide 10 direct and 5 indirect long term rural jobs.

The purpose of this project is to provide electrical service, internal wiring and insulation in for this mill. The expected cost for this project is \$75,000.

Project Timeline:

Project will be complete by June 30, 2014.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Gulkana Village Council

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